## **ABSTRACT**

[00226] The invention provides therapeutic fusion proteins which include a first peptide portion comprising a first non-heparin binding VEGF peptide portion and a second non-VEGF peptide portion covalently associated with the first peptide portion, which first and second peptide portions separately promote angiogenesis, bone growth, wound healing, or any combination thereof. Further provided are polynucleotides encoding such fusion proteins, vectors including such polynucleotides, methods of making such proteins, and methods of promoting angiogenesis, bone growth, and/or wound healing using such proteins, polynucleotides, and vectors.

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